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- 11. (C) Poloff delivered reftel demarche on the January 28 London Conference on Afghanistan to Hikmat Moeljawan, Deputy Director for South and Central Asian Affairs at the Department of Foreign Affairs on January 25. Poloff underscored the importance of strong international support for the Afghan government in key areas such as reintegration of insurgents who renounce violence, training of the Afghan security forces, development and governance assistance, and international civilian coordination. Poloff urged Indonesia to support these goals and asked Moeljawan if Indonesia planned to make any announcement at the conference.
- 12. (C) Moeljawan affirmed Indonesia's strong support for the Afghan government and said that Foreign Minister Marty Natalegawa looked forward to participating in the conference. Moeljawan said that senior GOI officials continued to review Indonesia's Afghanistan policy and have not yet reached a consensus on any possible announcement at the London conference. Indonesia continues to review possible training for the Afghan police, and GOI officials are awaiting President Yudhoyono's order to move forward with that plan. Additionally, Moeljawan noted, Indonesia remains committed to continuing to provide the Afghan government with capacity building assistance in agriculture, education and health care.

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